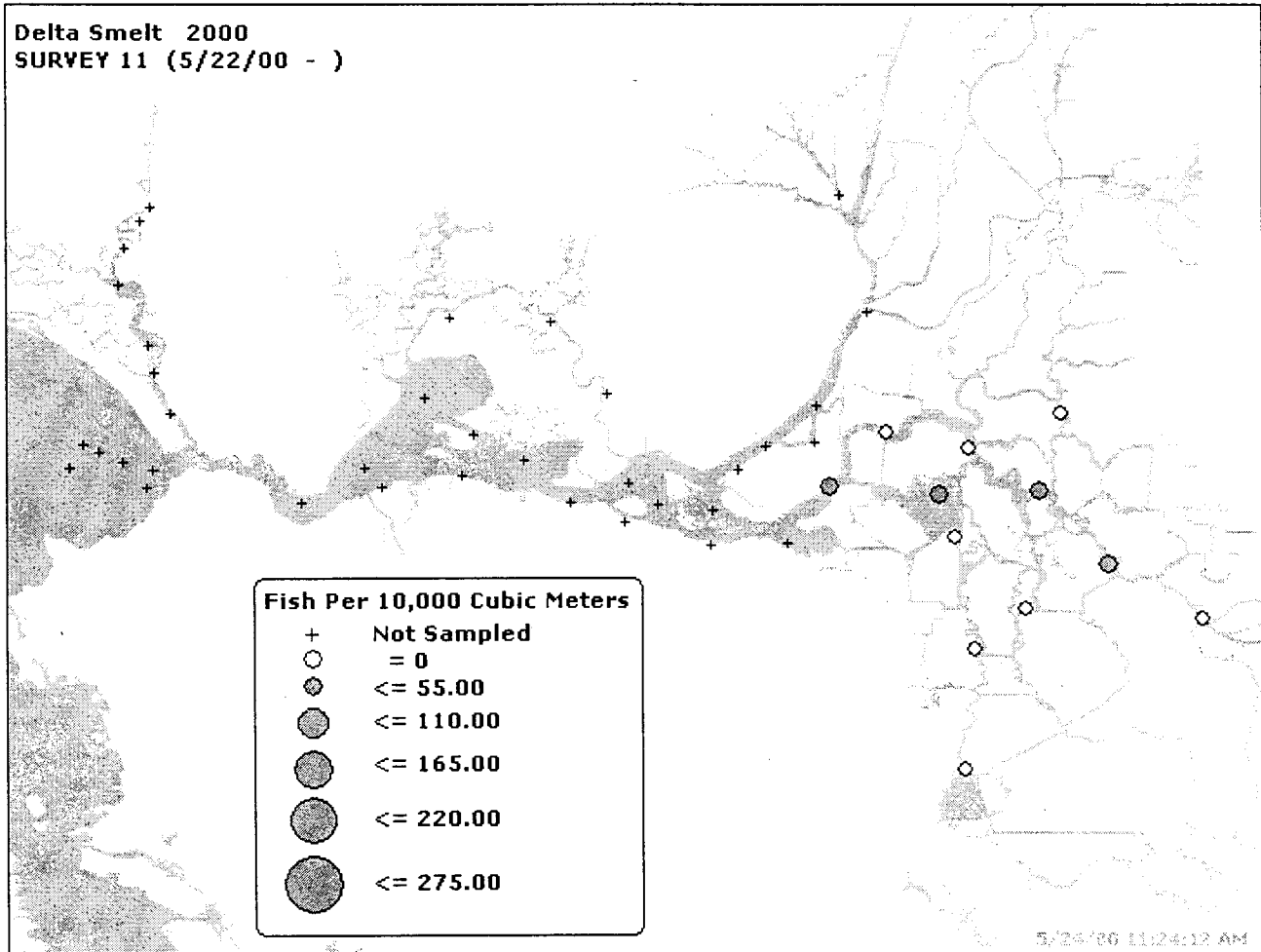


- Field collection for Survey 5 is complete. Sample processing is underway.
- 54% of the smelt are in east of the confluence, though this number will change a little as more of the downstream stations are processed.
- Compared to previous years, the total catch of delta smelt in the 20MM Survey is down.

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- A special survey was begun on Monday of this week. Preliminary results show that the catch of smelt in the south delta has dropped to zero at stations near the facilities.
- Temperatures over the last week have increased throughout the delta.
- Based upon the relatively short spawning period and the reduced catch in the 20MM Survey, we are predicting a low Fall Midwater Trawl index. We hope we are wrong.